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SOURCE: METHOD 5 EXEMPTION 3828  
NAZI WAR CRIMES DISCLOSURE ACT  
DATE 2008

5 February 1954

SUBJECT: DESTAN BERISHA

SPECIFIC: WH REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL INFO [ ] x3229)

1. On 4 Feb. 1954, [ ] phoned SE/1 and requested answers to the following questions:
  - A. Has Berisha registered with a U. S. Consul for emigration to the U. S. ?
  - B. What attempts (in detail) were made through PEP?
  - C. Has he ever been rejected by Canada or Australia?
2. On 5 Feb. [ ] and gave him the following info:
  - A. Attempts were made through PEP in Sept.-Oct. 1952 when the PEP machinery was not yet set up. PEP Chief in [ ] took on Berisha case as special favor at request of [ ] This attempt was not successful because Berisha was not a legitimate PEP case and the PEP people in Germany (whose assistance was required) were not ready to handle any cases.
  - B. Berisha travelled from Greece to Bari, Italy through IRO channels in March 1949. An attempt will be made to determine whether or not the IRO movement to Bari was merely the first step in emigrating elsewhere and also whether Berisha has been rejected by Australia or Canada.
3. NOTE : The info in para 2 A above was obtained from discussions with people who are familiar with the Berisha case. [ ] has not seen this information in written form in any place.

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